



Volunteer of the Month

Meredith Matherly and Isaac Kerns

Education Interns Meredith Matherly and Isaac Kerns are this month's volunteers of the month!



Meredith is currently a senior at Shepherd University studying Commercial Tourism & Recreation. She has been volunteering/ interning with the Education Branch since August 2009. So far, Meredith has proven herself to be a hard worker, creative, resourceful, a quick learner, and a huge asset to our operation. She is the project lead for our intern recruitment program. Meredith also assists park education staff with the coordination, programming, writing, filming, and editing of the vodcasts being created by students at Harpers Ferry Middle School. A vodcast is a video podcast and these are being created as a service learning project partnership between the park and the middle school. After her May graduation, Meredith will start working



on a masters in interpretation and hopes to continue her experience with the National Parks!

Isaac is also a senior at Shepherd and has been working with the education branch since January 2010. He is the project lead for our new period garden project and has proven himself to be a diligent and energetic worker with a wide and ever-expanding base of knowledge. Isaac has been busy building support and working with area schools, youth organizations, and park staff.



Both Meredith and Isaac regularly deliver environmental education, history, and hike programs to k-12 students visiting the park on field studies. During these contacts with students and teachers they provide excellent service for our growing education program. Students who participated have a better understanding of the significance of Harpers Ferry due to the knowledge departed by Meredith and Isaac.

They also assist the education branch 2 to 3 days a week to present a leadership program to middle school students from across the country as a part of the Congressional Youth Leadership Program (CYLC).



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If you or someone you know might be interested in volunteering at Harpers Ferry Park, please contact the park's volunteer coordinator at the address or phone number listed below. Volunteer today and give back!

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